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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Yukio KIMURA et al
Serial No. : 10/510,432
Confirm. No.: 1515
Filed : October 6, 2004
For : APPARATUS FOR SURFACE
TREATMENT OF METALLIC SHEET,
METHOD FOR PRODUCING METALLIC
SHEET, AND APPARATUS FOR
PRODUCING METALLIC SHEET
Art Unit : 3725
Examiner : Debra M. Wolfe

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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed
December 28, 2006, the term for response to which is extended by
two months by Petition filed concurrently herewith to expire on
May 28, 2007.

Amendments to the Specification are set forth on page 2.

Amendments to the Drawings are described on page 4.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of
claims which begins on page 5. Claims 1-9 are amended, and
claims 10-20 are added.

Remarks begin on page 14.